

ENGAGING THE WILDFIRE APPLICATIONS COMMUNITY WITH SAR

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OBJECTIVES

- INCREASE SAR LITERACY IN THE CONTEXT OF WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT AND THE UPCOMING NISAR MISSION
- IDENTIFY THE BEST VENUE AND APPROACH FOR REACHING THE WILDFIRE COMMUNITY
 - BUILD PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS TO IDENTIFY AND DEVELOP NEEDED INFORMATION PRODUCTS
 - IDENTIFY GAPS IN KNOWLEDGE OF HIGHEST VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY WITH FOCUSED AND DETAILED DISCUSSIONS OF WHAT THE SAR DATA NEEDS ARE INCLUDING:
 - ASSESS THE FEASIBILITY OF NISAR TO MEET THE TOP PRIORITIES FOR THE APPLICATION AREA
 - IDENTIFY HIGH PRIORITY APPLICATIONS FOR NISAR TO FOCUS EFFORTS

OUTLINE

- INTRODUCTION TO SAR (15 MIN)
- APPLICATIONS FOR WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT (15 MIN)
- NISAR FLIGHT PROJECT AND APPLICATIONS PLAN OVERVIEW (10 MIN)
- TABLE TOP EXERCISE (45 MIN)
- CONCLUDING THOUGHTS (5 MIN)

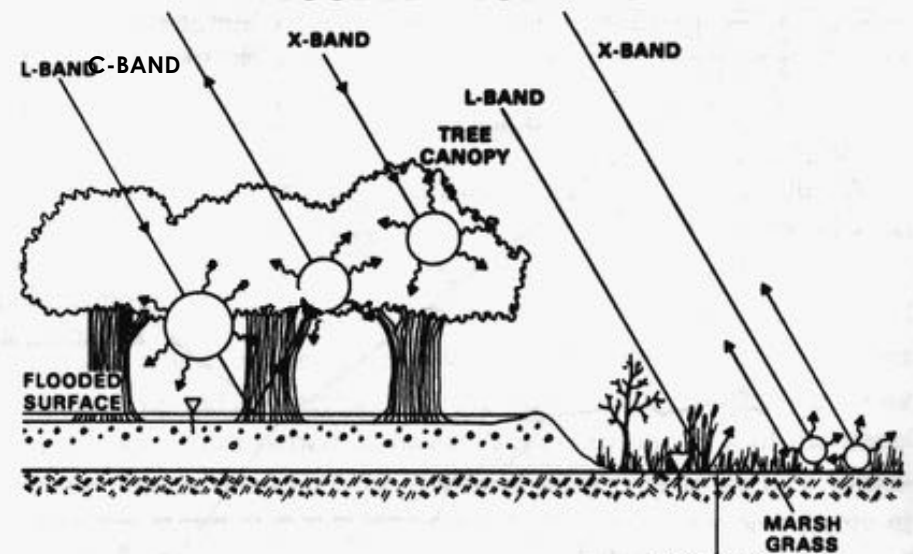
WHY SAR?

- CLOUD PENETRATION
 - KEY FOR MONITORING TROPICAL FORESTS AND ARCTIC/BOREAL
 - KEY FOR ANNUAL OBSERVATIONS
- NIGHTTIME OBSERVATIONS
 - MONITOR POLES DURING WINTER
- SENSITIVITY TO FOREST VERTICAL STRUCTURE
- SENSITIVITY TO FLOODING AND SOIL MOISTURE

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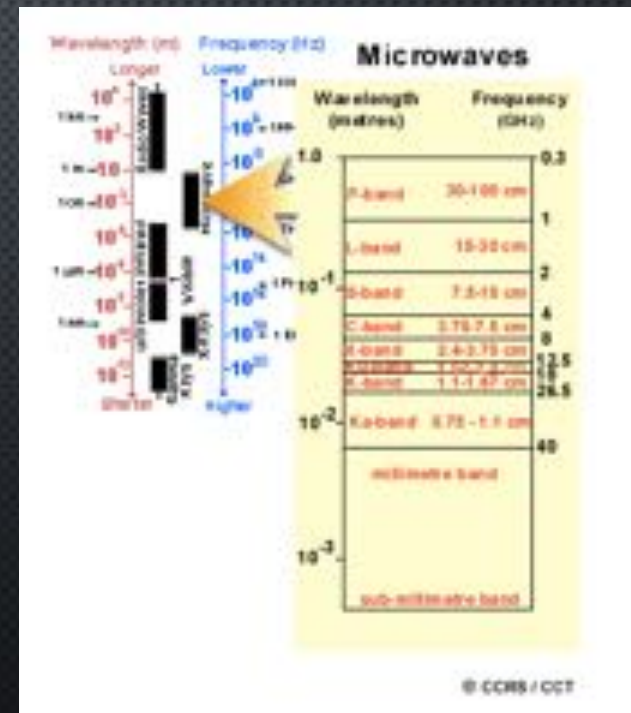
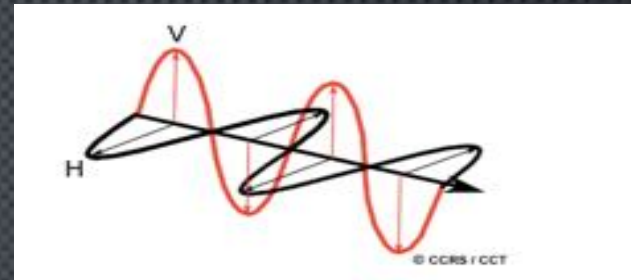
ABSORPTION, SCATTERING, REFLECTING AND ENHANCEMENT OF RADAR ENERGY WITHIN FLOODED VEGETATION



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THE BASICS

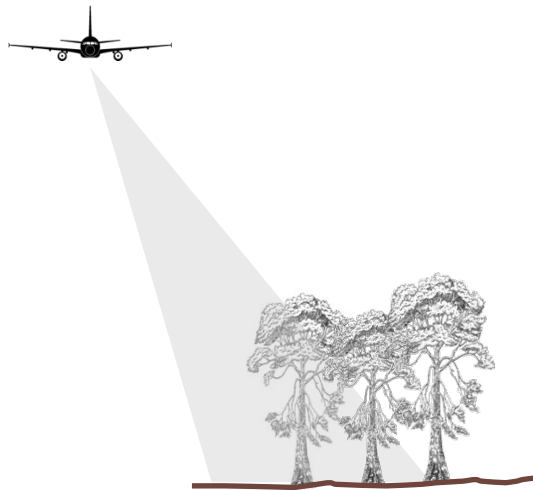
- FIGURES FROM THIS SLIDE AND FANTASTIC EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE: CANADA CENTRE FOR MAPPING AND EARTH OBSERVATION (FORMERLY CANADA CENTRE FOR REMOTE SENSING), NATURAL RESOURCES CANADA
- ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES EMITTED FROM A SOURCE, PROPAGATE IN HORIZONTAL (H) AND VERTICAL (V) WITH FIELD STRENGTH AND PHASE IN EACH DIRECTION.
- RADAR USES MICROWAVES
- 4 TECHNIQUES:
 1. SIMPLE BACKSCATTER
 2. COHERENT POLARIMETRY
 3. POLARIMETRIC INTERFEROMETRY (INSAR/POLINSAR)
 4. TOMOGRAPHY



(<http://www.nrcan.gc.ca/earth-sciences/geomatics/satellite-imagery-air-photos/satellite-imagery-products/educational-resources/>)

(1) Simple Radar Backscatter

- Radar **transmits** alternatively H and V polarized waves
- Radar **receives** simultaneously H and V
- **Amplitude** of backscattered energy (no phase)



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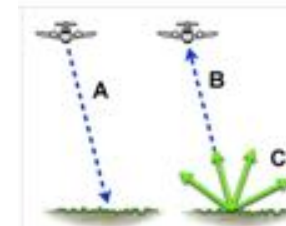
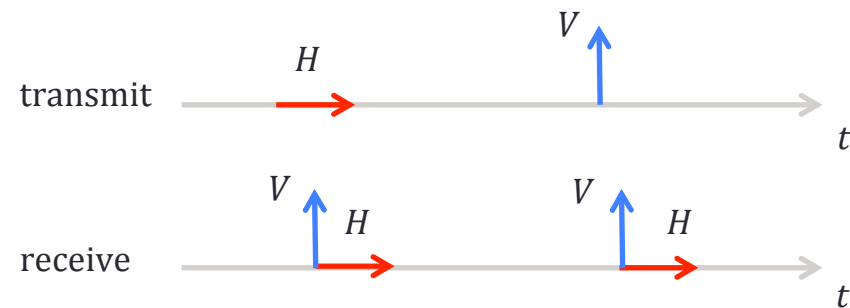
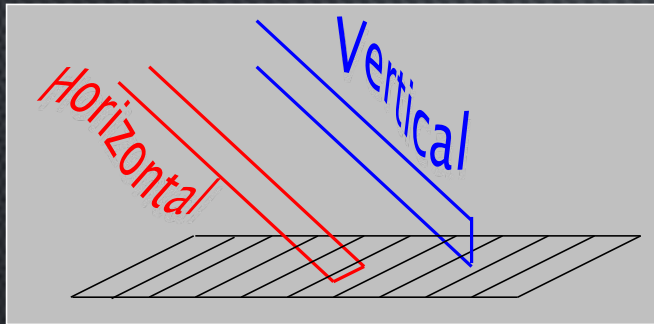


Figure 1-10b: Illustrating backscatter - only a small part of the scattered energy (C) is received back at the radar antenna (B)



$$\begin{pmatrix} E_H^s \\ E_V^s \end{pmatrix} = \frac{e^{-j\beta r}}{r} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} S_{HH} & S_{HV} \\ S_{VH} & S_{VV} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{scattering matrix [S]}} \begin{pmatrix} E_H^i \\ E_V^i \end{pmatrix}$$

REVIEW THE ROLE OF POLARIZATION



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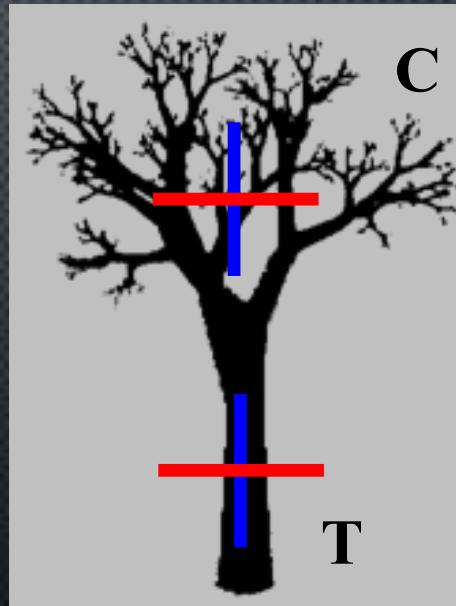


**Radar
Scattering
Intensity**

**Short
Wave**

**Long
Wave**

C = Crown
T = Trunk



- Polarization – alignment and regularity of EM field components of the wave in a plane perpendicular to the direction of propagation
- Noise – no recognizable frequency and amplitude
- EM Wave with no random component = fully polarized
- “backscatter” is energy (amplitude) that gets reflected back

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(2) Coherent Radar Polarimetry

- Both amplitude and phase are retained and processed
- “Measurement” is the 3×3 covariance matrix
- Depolarization and scattering mechanisms to study ecosystems

$$\begin{pmatrix} E_H^s \\ E_V^s \end{pmatrix} = \frac{e^{-j\beta r}}{r} \begin{pmatrix} S_{HH} & S_{HV} \\ S_{VH} & S_{VV} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E_H^i \\ E_V^i \end{pmatrix}$$

scattering matrix



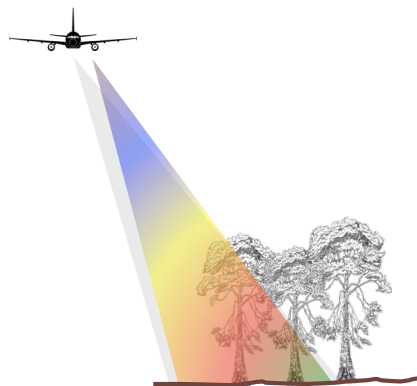
$$k = \begin{pmatrix} S_{HH} \\ \sqrt{2}S_{HV} \\ S_{VV} \end{pmatrix}$$

scattering vector



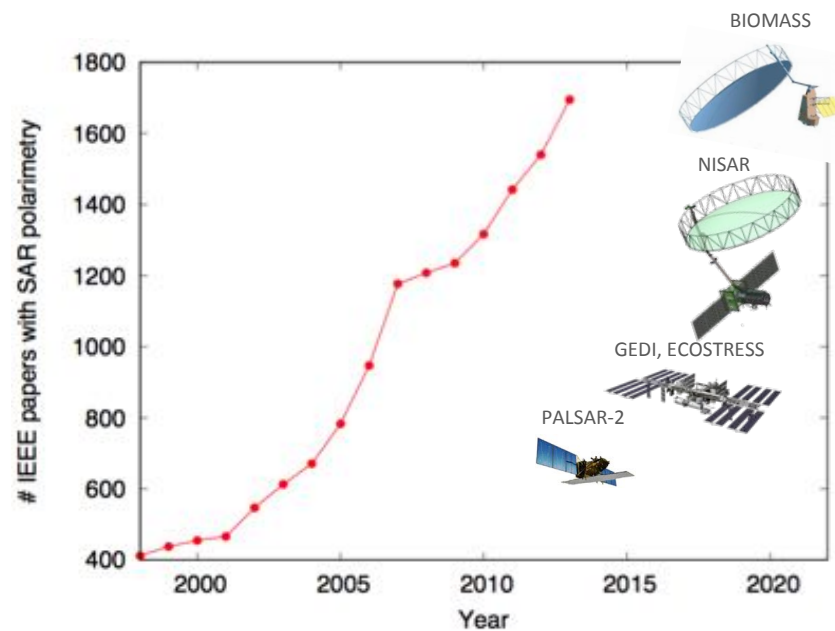
$$[C] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_i^N k_i k_i^H = \begin{pmatrix} \langle |S_{HH}|^2 \rangle & \sqrt{2}\langle S_{HH}S_{HV}^* \rangle & \langle S_{HH}S_{VV}^* \rangle \\ \sqrt{2}\langle S_{HV}S_{HH}^* \rangle & 2\langle |S_{HV}|^2 \rangle & \sqrt{2}\langle S_{HV}S_{VV}^* \rangle \\ \langle S_{VV}S_{HH}^* \rangle & \sqrt{2}\langle S_{VV}S_{HV}^* \rangle & \langle |S_{VV}|^2 \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

complex covariance matrix



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(2) Coherent Radar Polarimetry



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(2) Coherent Radar Polarimetry

$$u_i = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha_i \\ \sin \alpha_i \cos \beta_i e^{j\delta_i} \\ \sin \alpha_i \sin \beta_i e^{j\gamma_i} \end{pmatrix}$$

parameterized eigenvector

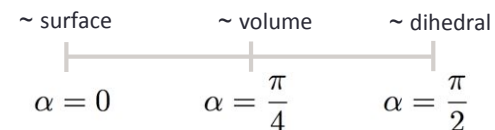
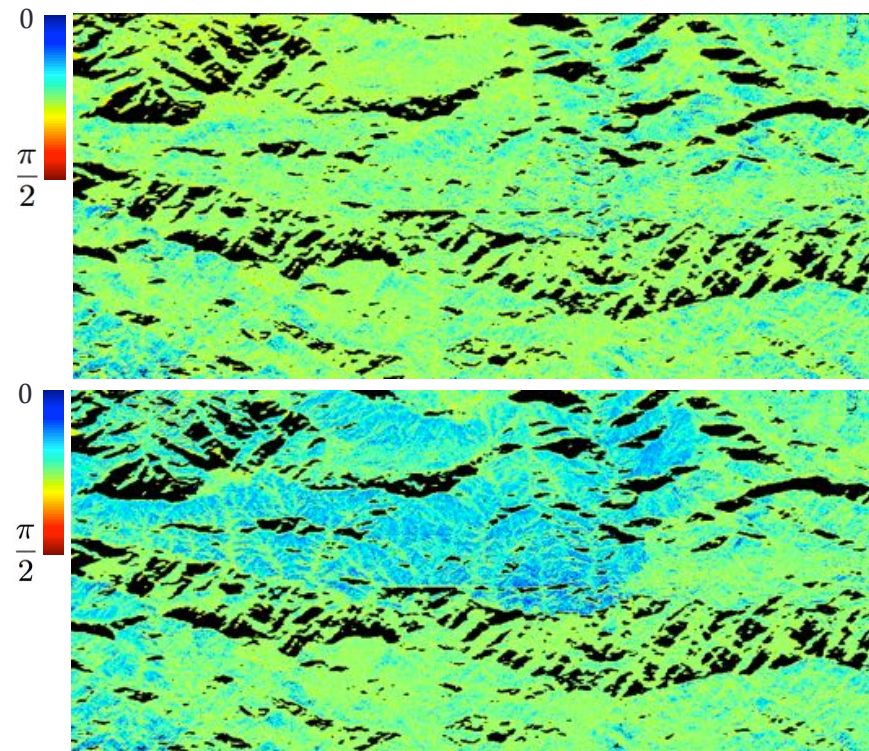
$$p_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\sum_{q=1}^3 \lambda_q}$$

eigenvalues



Alpha "scattering mechanism"

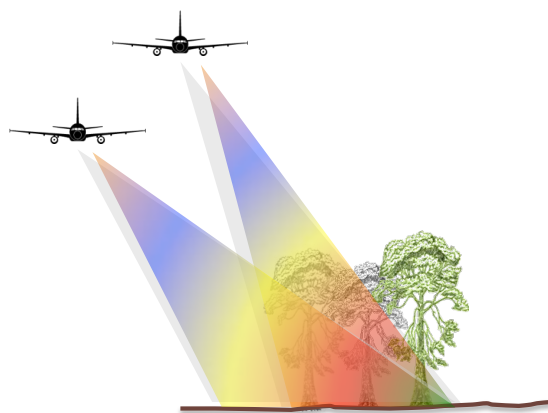
$$\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^3 p_i \alpha_i \quad 0 \leq \alpha \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$



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(3) Polarimetric Radar Interferometry

- **polarimetry** “sees” different forest components
- **interferometry** retrieves the 3D location of the component
- **canopy height, vertical structure**



$$\gamma = |\gamma| e^{j\varphi} = \frac{\langle s_1 s_2^* \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle s_1 s_1^* \rangle \langle s_2 s_2^* \rangle}}$$

PolInSAR coherence
(temporal and volumetric)

$$\gamma(w_1, w_2) = f(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n)$$

PolInSAR model

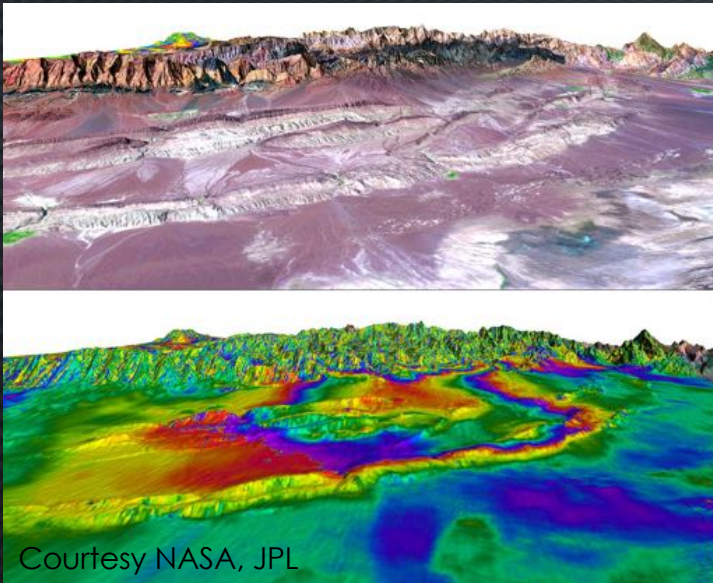
model parameters

canopy height
wave extinction
ground topography
surface-to-volume ratio

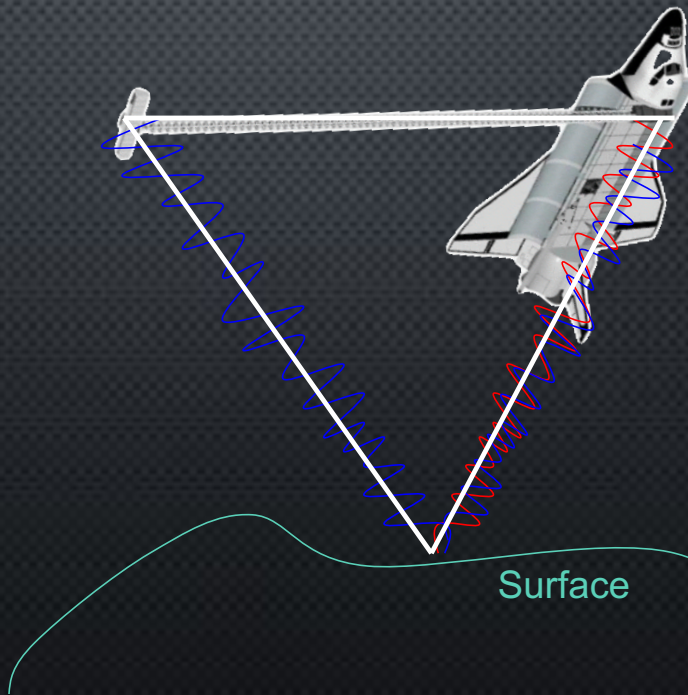
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SAR INTERFEROMETRY: MEASURING HEIGHT

IT'S SIMPLE TRIGONOMETRY



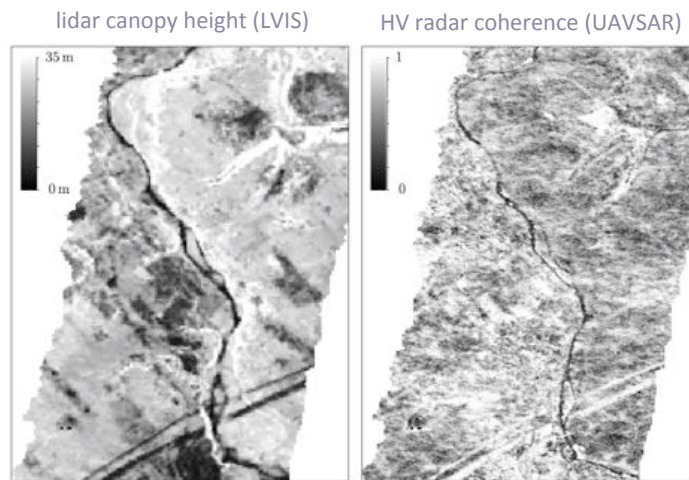
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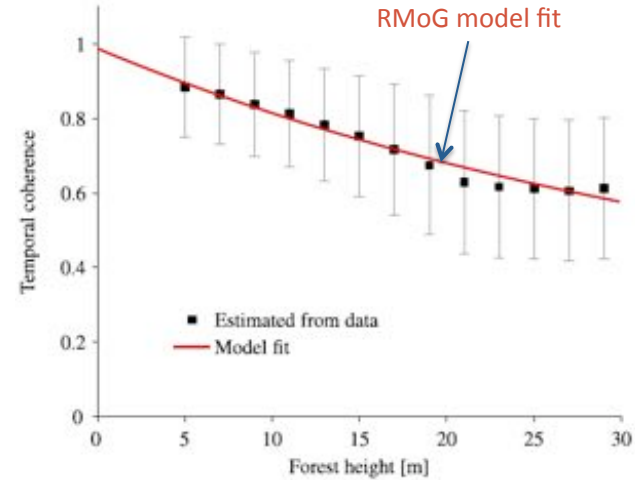
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(3) Polarimetric Radar Interferometry



JPL/UAVSAR L-band airborne radar
45 min temporal baseline
Laurentides, Quebec

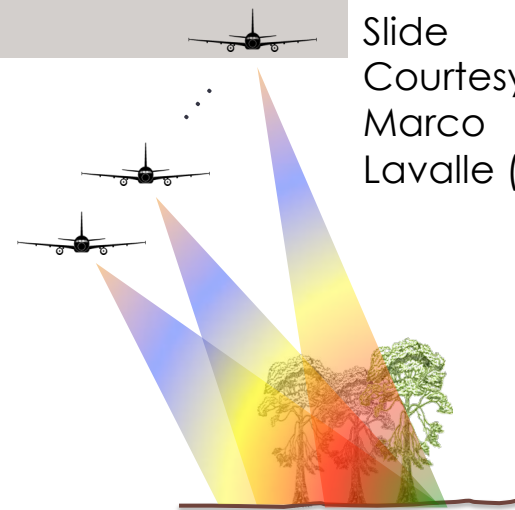


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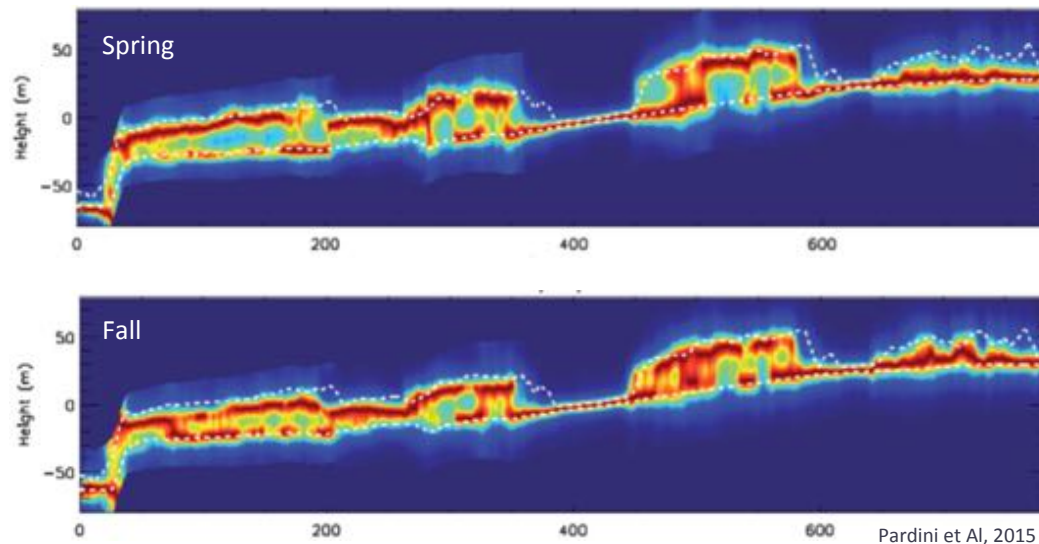
Lavalie et Al., "A temporal decorrelation model for polarimetric radar interferometers", IEEE TGRS 2012.

(4) Radar Tomography

- Several (3+) **repeated acquisitions** over the same area
- Physical models and polarimetry are **not needed**
- Retrieval of **3D structure** (layered backscattered coefficient)



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APPLICATIONS FOR WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT

1. CHANGE DETECTION AND MAPPING
2. MOISTURE: SOIL AND VEGETATION
3. BIOMASS

DETECTION AND MAPPING

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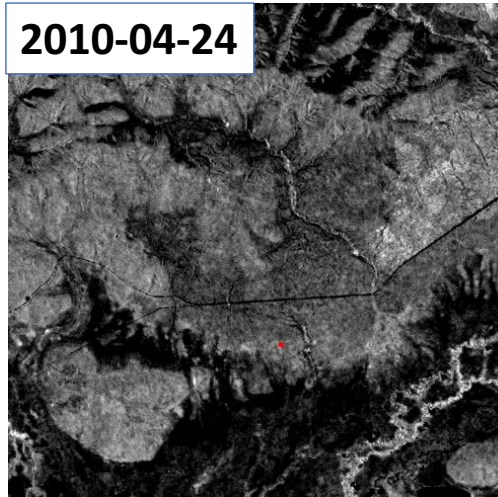
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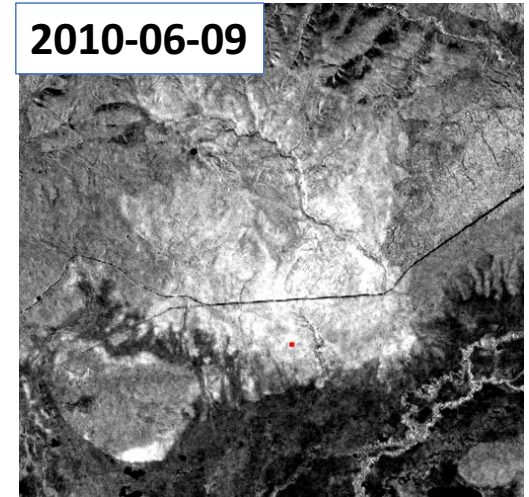
ALOS LHH Time series

April 24th: Before fire
 June 6th: 11 days after
 fire starts
 Sept. 9th: Fire scar well
 identifiable

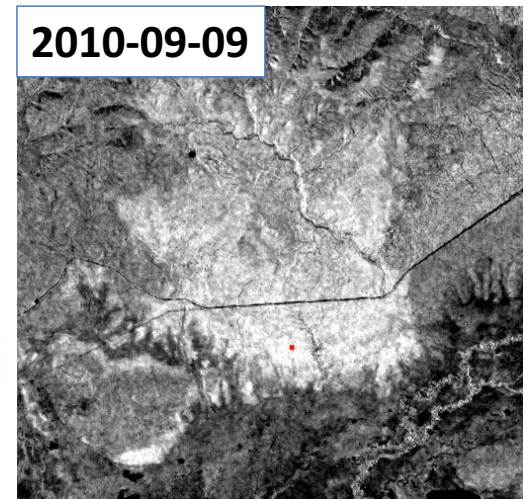
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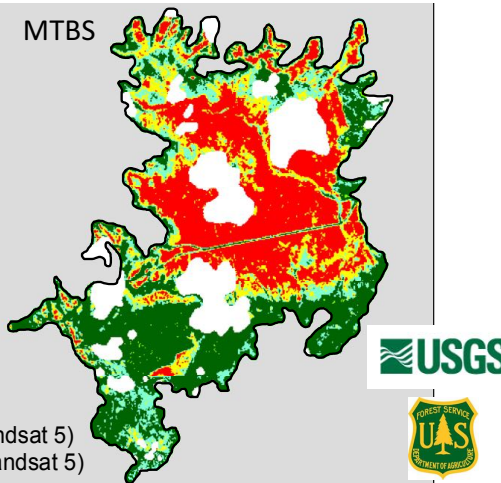
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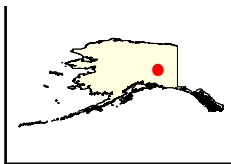
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| Acreage of Burn Severity | |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Burn Severity | Acres |
| Unburned to Low | 6,035 |
| Low | 2,679 |
| Moderate | 2,787 |
| High | 5,509 |
| Increased Greenness | 45 |
| Non-Processing Area Mask* | 3,464 |
| Total | 20,519 |



Latitude: 64° 20' 16.8"
 Longitude: -145° 45' 28.8"
 Fire Ignition Date: May 26, 2010
 Assessment Type: Extended
 Pre-Fire Image Date: July 11, 2009 (Landsat 5)
 Post-Fire Image Date: July 17, 2011 (Landsat 5)



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CHANGE DETECTION USING FREQUENT REPEAT VISITS

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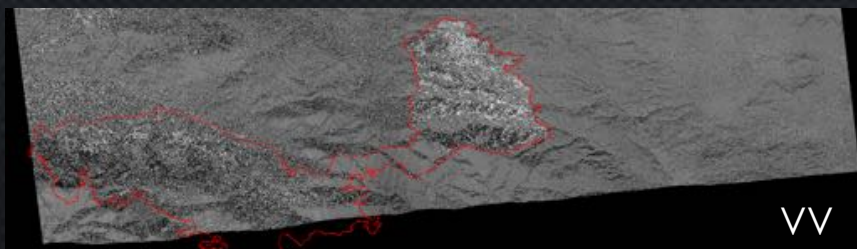
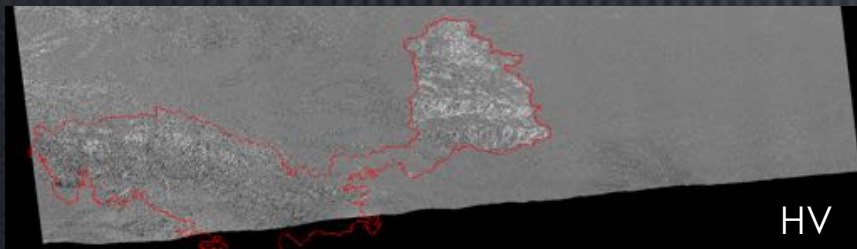
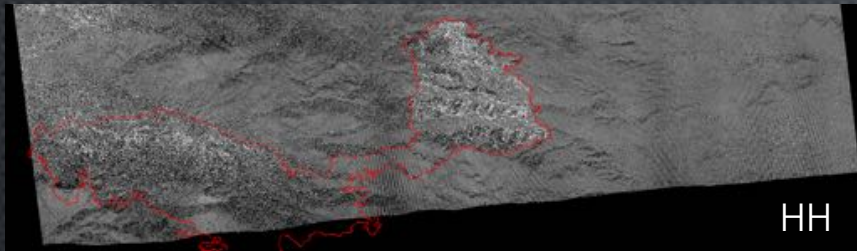


| Index | Acquisition date |
|-----------|------------------|
| 1 | 2009.04.23 |
| 2 | 2009.09.18 |
| 3 | 2010.03.03 |
| 4 | 2010.04.15 |
| 5 | 2010.10.14 |
| 6 | 2010.12.07 |
| 7 | 2011.07.08 |
| 8 | 2011.10.28 |
| 9 | 2012.04.27 |
| 10 | 2013.05.31 |
| 11 | 2014.01.17 |
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| 13 | 2015.01.08 |
| 14 | 2015.05.11 |
| Lake Fire | |
| 15 | 2015.06.29 |

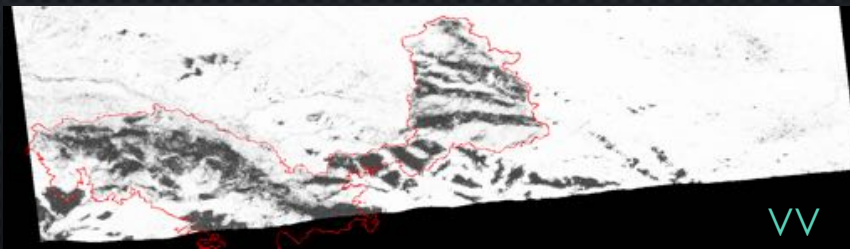
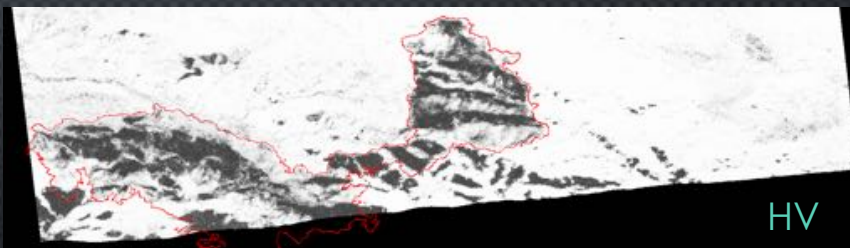
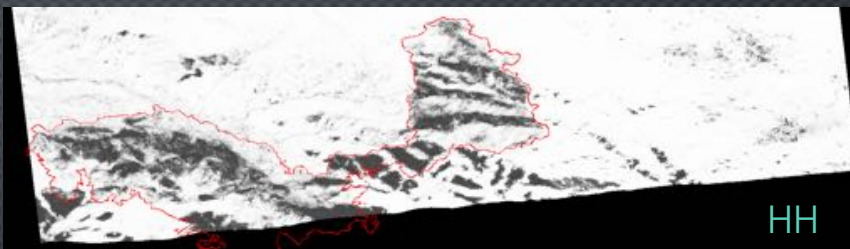
- Number of data : 15
- before event : 14 & after event : 1
- All data is acquired using Full-Quad polarization
- Baseline : less than ~10 m
- No volumetric decorrelation
- Coherence is mainly determined by temporal decorrelation

| Parameter | Value |
|------------------------|---|
| Frequency | L-Band 1217.5 to 1297.5 MHz |
| Bandwidth | 80 MHz |
| Resolution | 1.67 m Range, 0.8 m Azimuth |
| Polarization | Full Quad-Polarization |
| ADC Bits | 2,4,6,8,10 & 12 bit selectable BFPQ, 180Mhz |
| Waveform | Nominal Chirp/ Arbitrary Waveform |
| Antenna Aperture | 0.5 m range /1.5 azimuth (electrical) |
| Azimuth Steering | Greater than $\pm 20^\circ$ ($\pm 45^\circ$ goal) |
| Transmit Power | > 3.1 kW |
| Polarization Isolation | <-25 dB (<-30 dB goal) |
| Swath Width | > 23 km |

INCOHERENT CHANGE DETECTION (AMPLITUDE)



COHERENT CHANGE DETECTION (AMPLITUDE AND PHASE)



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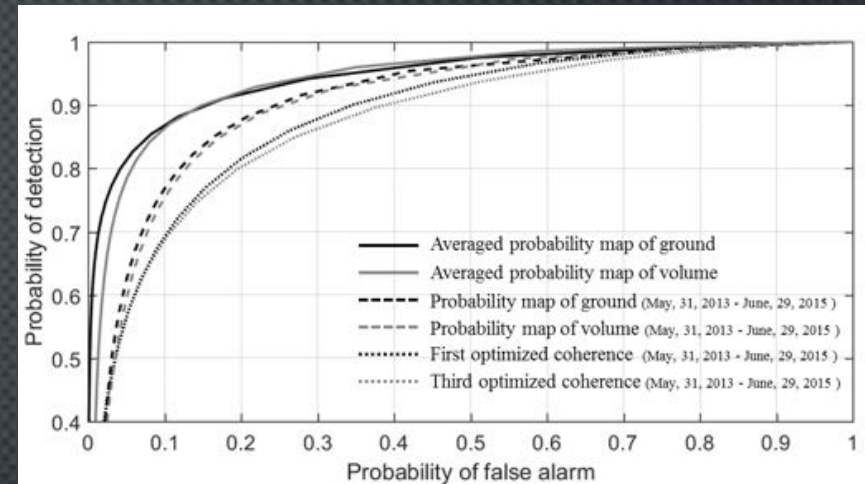
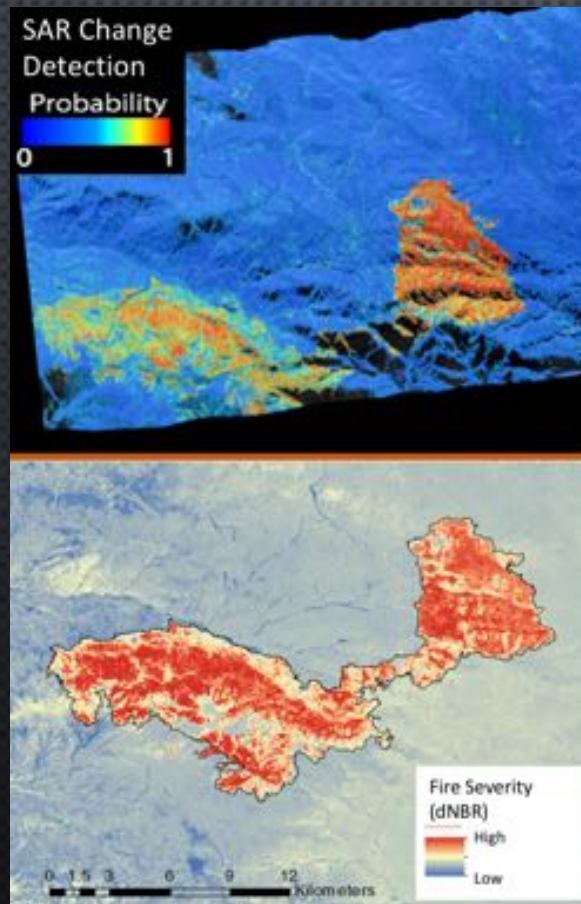
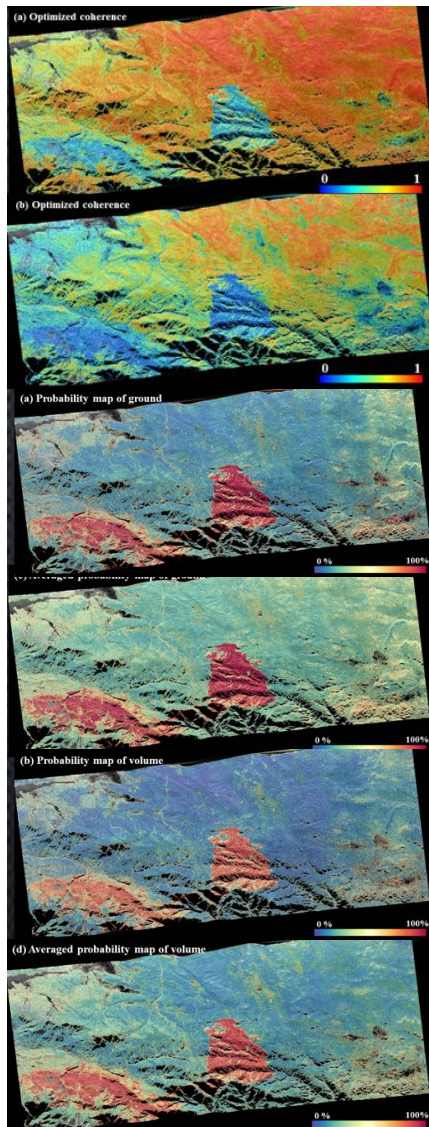
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PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS



| Product | PFA @ PD=0.85 | PD @ PFA=0.1 |
|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Coherence opt1 | 0.25 | 0.68 |
| Coherence opt3 | 0.29 | 0.68 |
| Individual Prob. of ground | 0.14 | 0.77 |
| Individual Prob. of volume | 0.16 | 0.75 |
| Averaged Prob. of ground | 0.07 | 0.87 |
| Averaged Prob. of volume | 0.08 | 0.86 |

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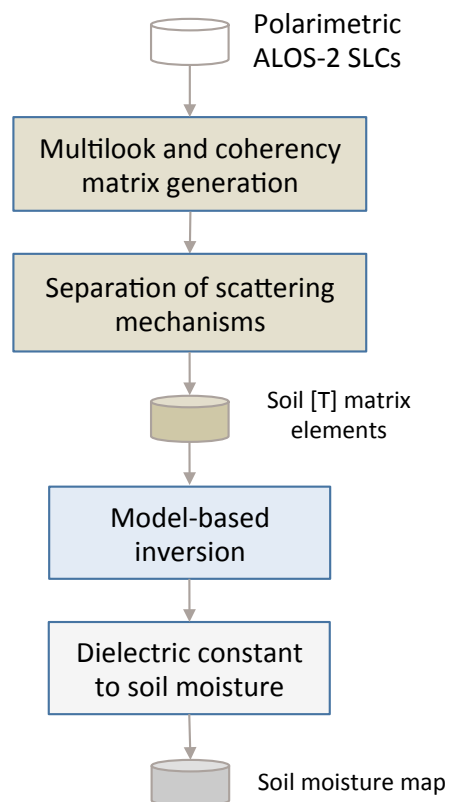
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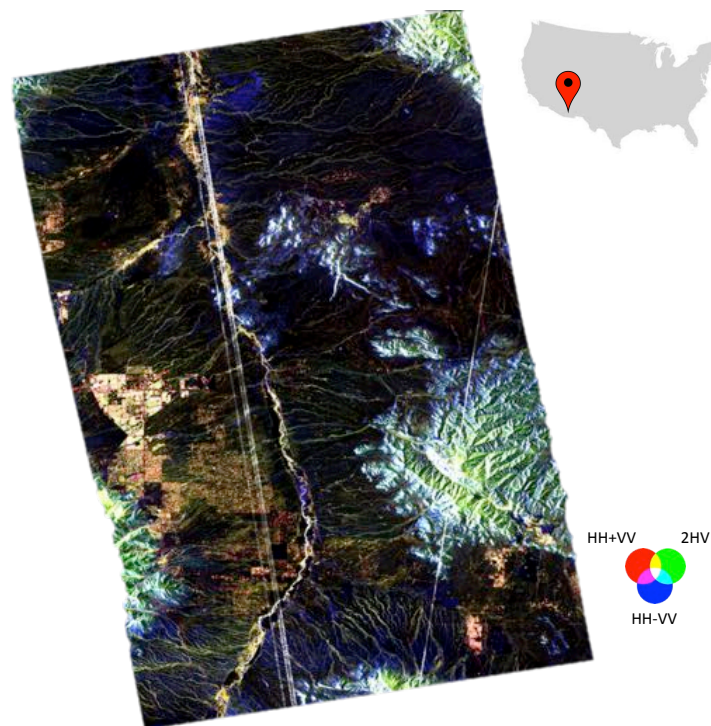
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Soil moisture estimation: ALOS-2 example



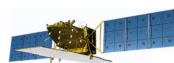
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ALOS-2 + ICESat lidar data

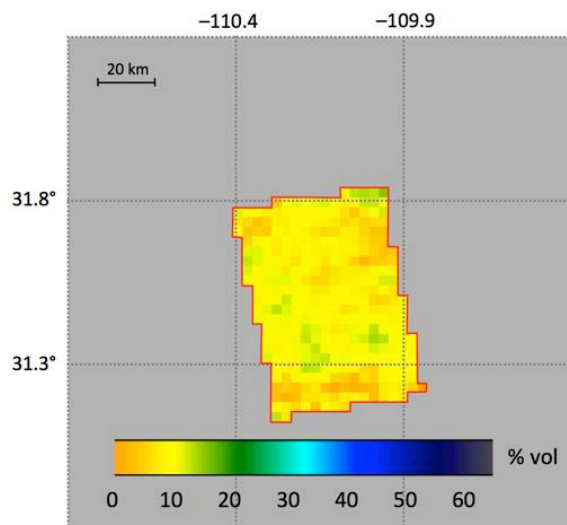


Soil moisture estimation: ALOS-2 example

ALOS-2

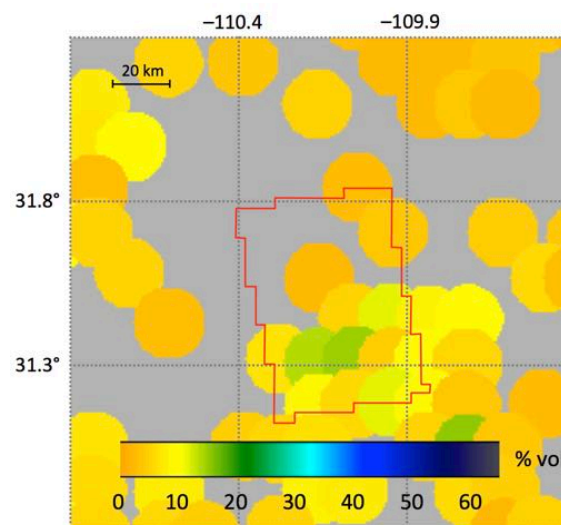


Acquisition date is 2015/03/07
Posting is 3.3 Km to match SMAP posting
Quad-polarimetric SAR data
Model-based soil moisture retrieval



SMAP

Acquisition date is 2015/04/25
Posting is 3 km after multilooking
1 dot = 1 pixel enlarged for display
Gaps are retrieval failures



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SAR can help measure carbon emissions and removals from deforestation, degradation, and regeneration by measuring vegetation biomass and monitoring changes



deforestation



degradation



Regeneration

$$\Delta C = \sum \Delta A \cdot \boxed{B} \cdot E_{def} + \sum A \cdot \boxed{\Delta B} \cdot E_{deg} + \sum A \cdot \boxed{\Delta B} \cdot R_{reg}$$

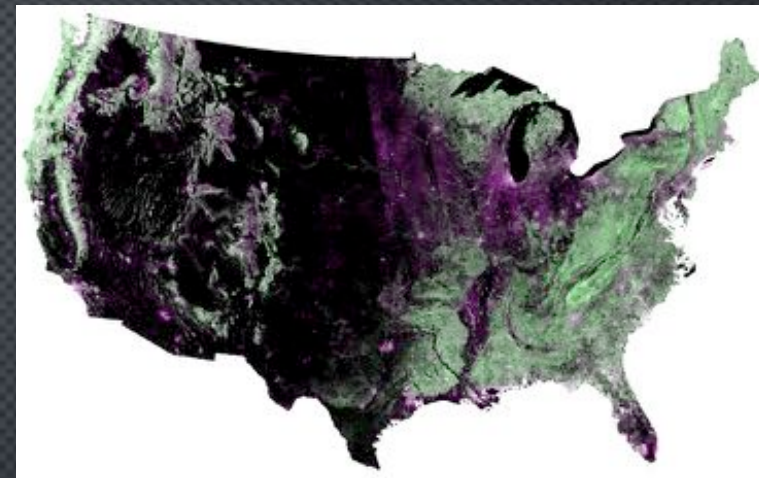
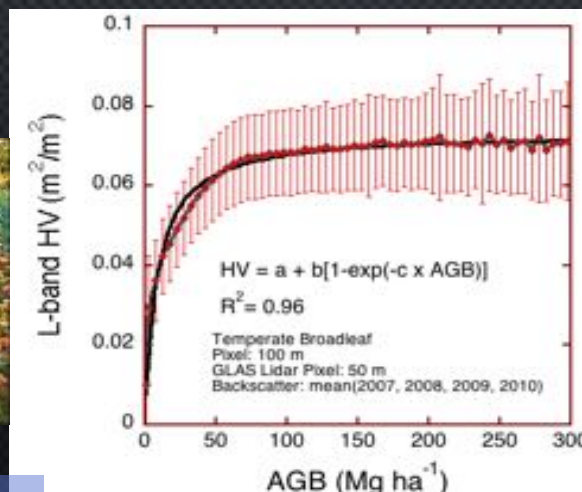
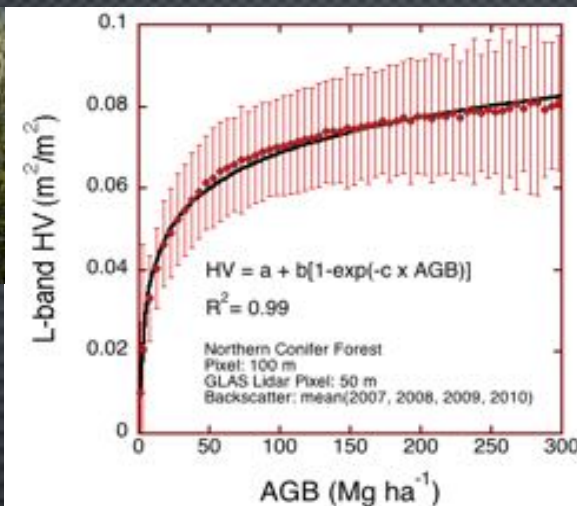
where A is the area of forest type, with biomass B , emission efficiency factor E , and removal efficiency R

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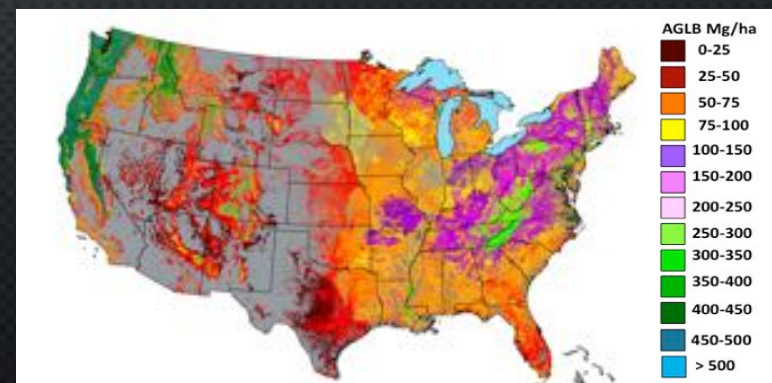
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L-band HH and HV (ALOS PALSAR)



Biomass Derived from L-band SAR & National Inventory

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NASA-ISRO SYNTHETIC APERTURE RADAR (NISAR) OVERVIEW AND APPLICATIONS PLAN OVERVIEW

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NISAR MISSION OBJECTIVES

Relevant Scientific Objectives:

- Understand the dynamics of carbon storage and uptake in wooded, agricultural, wetland, and permafrost systems

Relevant Applications Objectives:

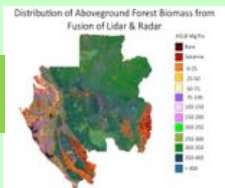
- Provide agricultural monitoring capability in support of food security objectives
- Apply NISAR's unique data set to explore the potentials for urgent response and hazard mitigation

To be accomplished in partnership with the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) through the joint development and operation of a space-borne, dual-frequency, polarimetric, synthetic aperture radar (SAR) satellite mission with repeat-pass interferometry capability

NISAR MISSION CONCEPT OVERVIEW

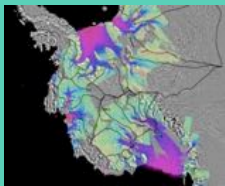
Mission Science

Ecosystem Structure



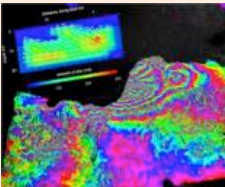
Biomass disturbance; effects of changing climate on habitats and CO₂

Cryosphere



Ice velocity, thickness; response of ice sheets to climate change and sea level rise

Solid Earth



Surface deformation; geo-hazards; water resource management

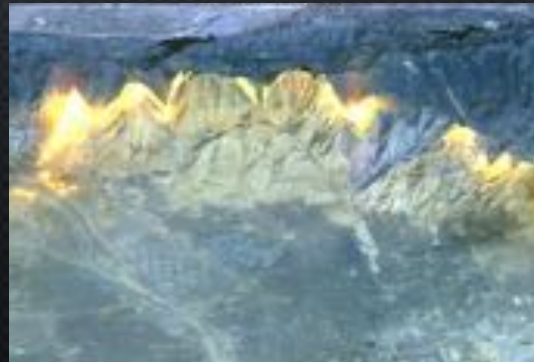
- Major partnership between US National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)
- Baseline launch date: No earlier than 2021
- Dual frequency L- and S-band Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR)
 - L-band SAR from NASA and S-band SAR from ISRO
- NASA 3.5 Gbps Ka-band telecom system to polar ground stations (> 24 Tbits/day downlink capability)
- Spacecraft: ISRO I3K with 1 Gbps telecom system
- Launch vehicle: ISRO Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV) Mark-II (4-m fairing)
- 3 years science operations (5+ years consumables)
- All science data (L- and S-band) will be made available free and open, consistent with the long-standing NASA Earth Science open data policy

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NISAR CONCEPT SCIENCE OBSERVATION OVERVIEW

| NISAR Characteristic: | Would Enable: |
|--|--|
| L-band (24 cm wavelength) | Low temporal decorrelation and foliage penetration |
| S-band (12 cm wavelength) | Sensitivity to light vegetation |
| SweepSAR technique with Imaging Swath >240 km | Global data collection |
| Polarimetry (Single/Dual/Quad) | Surface characterization and biomass estimation |
| 12-day exact repeat | Rapid Sampling |
| 3-10 meters mode-dependent SAR resolution | Small-scale observations |
| 3 years since operations (5 years consumables) | Time-series analysis |
| Pointing control < 273 arcseconds | Deformation interferometry |
| Orbit control < 500 meters | Deformation interferometry |
| >30% observation duty cycle | Complete land/ice coverage |
| Left/Right pointing capability | Polar coverage, North and South |
| Noise Equivalent Sigma Zero \leq -23 db | Surface characterization of smooth surfaces |

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LEVEL 3 ECOSYSTEM PRODUCTS CURRENTLY BEING DEVELOPED FOR GLOBAL PRODUCTION AND RELEASED ANNUALLY

- BIOMASS ESTIMATION

aboveground woody vegetation biomass annually at the hectare scale (1 ha) to an RMS accuracy of 20 Mg/ha for 80% of areas of biomass less than 100 Mg/ha.

- DISTURBANCE DETECTION

global areas of vegetation disturbance at 1 hectare resolution annually for areas losing at least 50% canopy cover with a classification accuracy of 80%.

- AGRICULTURE CLASSIFICATION

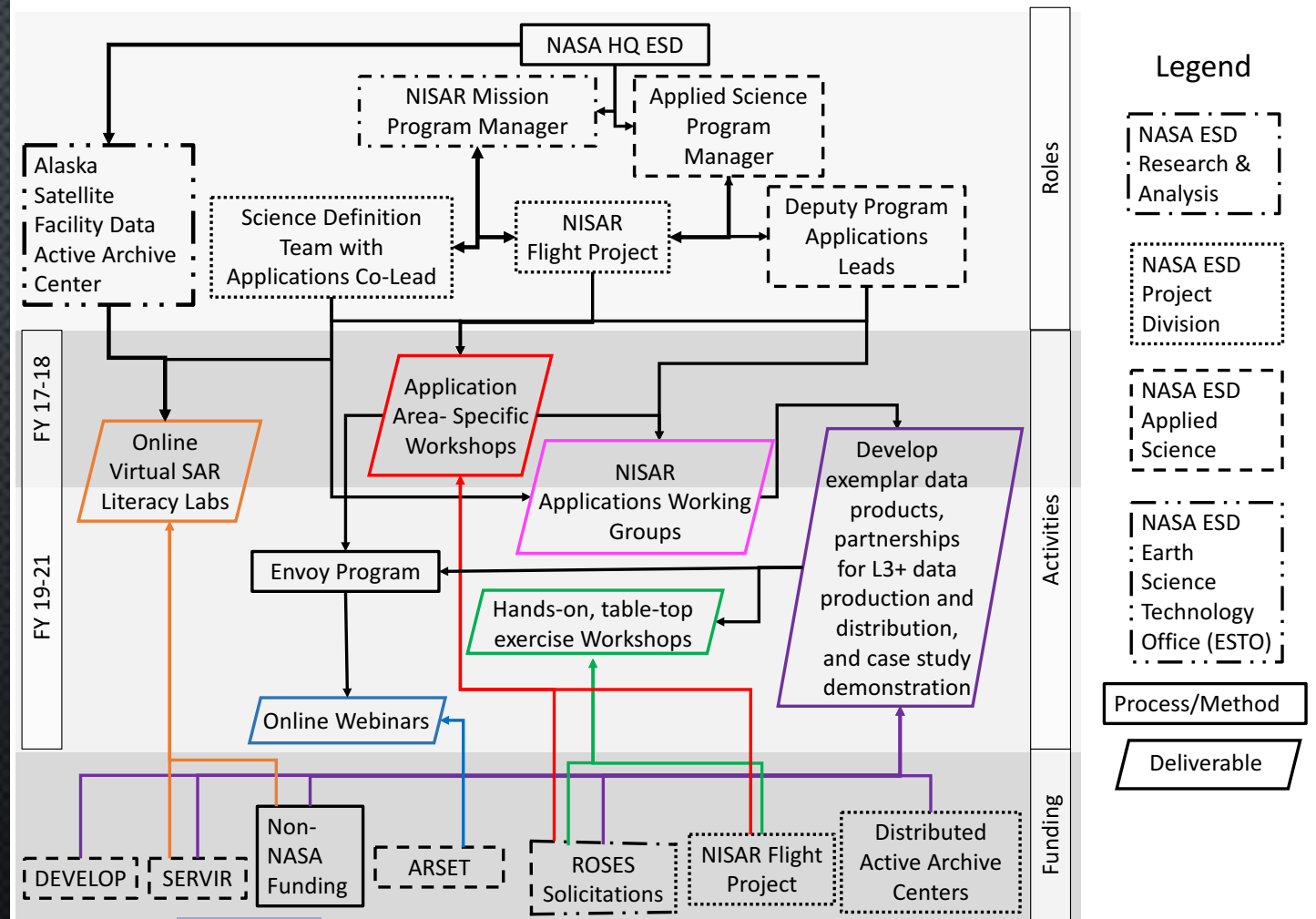
crop area at 1 hectare resolution every 3 months with a classification accuracy of 80%.

- WETLAND CLASSIFICATION

inundation extent within inland and coastal wetlands areas at a resolution of 1 hectare every 12 days with a classification accuracy of 80%.

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TABLE TOP EXERCISE

- 7 TABLES:
 - 2 TABLES: BIOMASS/FOREST HEIGHT
 - 2 TABLES: VEG/SOIL MOISTURE
 - 2 TABLES: DETECTION AND MAPPING
 - 1 TABLE: OTHER (CONSERVATION, ETC.)
- BREAK INTO 3 GROUPS TO DISCUSS (20 MIN) & REPORT OUT (20 MIN):
 1. WHAT AGENCIES/ORGANIZATIONS ARE THE KEY PLAYERS (I.E., WHO IS THE TRUSTED SOURCE OF INFORMATION USED IN THIS ARENA? IS THERE A “CHAMPION” WE SHOULD BE WORKING WITH?)
 2. WHAT ARE THE CURRENT DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEMS EMPLOYED?
 3. WHAT ARE THE INFORMATION GAPS IN THE CURRENT DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEMS?
 4. CAN YOU SEE SAR HELPING TO FILL ANY OF THESE INFORMATION GAPS? IF SO, WHAT INFORMATION PRODUCTS WOULD NEED TO BE DEVELOPED (INCLUDING SPECIFICATIONS OF FREQUENCY, LATENCY, ETC.)?
 5. WHAT ARE THE BEST WAYS TO ENGAGE WITH THE COMMUNITY WHO WOULD MOST WANT THIS DATA (E.G., HOW DO WE GARNER TRUST AND A COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIP)?

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RESOURCES

- NISAR ECOSYSTEMS DEPUTY APPLICATION LEAD: NATASHA.STAVROS@JPL.NASA.GOV
 - NISAR APPLICATIONS MAILING LIST: WORKSHOPS, NISAR STATUS UPDATES, ETC.
 - SAR EXPERT CONNECTIONS
 - DEVELOP -- 10 WEEK FEASIBILITY STUDIES TO SEE HOW SAR CAN WORK FOR YOU
- 2 PAGE INFORMATIONAL ON TABLE
- TUTORIALS/EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES
 - SAREdu
 - UNAVCO
 - NATURAL RESOURCES CANADA
 - ARSET

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

FROM DAVID GREEN'S ASP DISASTERS PROGRAM

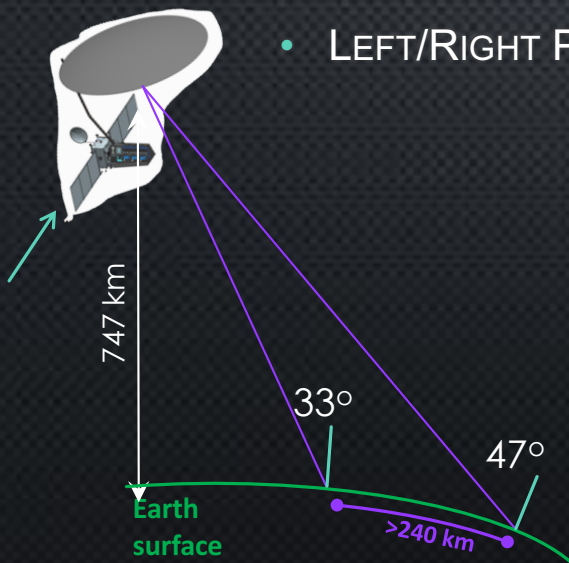
- 2017 ROSES DISASTER CALL (OUT IN MAY)
 - STRINGS:
 - COST-SHARING (MULTI-YEAR TAKE MORE BURDEN EACH YEAR)
 - ARL 4-9 EXCEPTIONS CAN BE MADE
 - MUST HAVE LETTER OF SUPPORT/CO-I/ACTIVE MEMBER OF TEAM BY STAKEHOLDER
 - ROLLING 1 PG PROPOSALS THAT USE ARIA (\$40-50K TO RAISE LOW ARL TO ARL4 FOR PROPOSING TO THE DISASTERS CALL + HIGHLY DESIRED FOR MANY PEOPLE ACROSS NASA CENTERS/AGENCIES)
- ESRI INTEGRATION OF NASA DATA INTO ARCGIS ONLINE ———
 - HIGHEST PRIORITY STAKEHOLDER COMMUNITY NEEDS
 - WHAT ARE DECISIONAL AND SCIENCE PRODUCTS
 - HIGHEST PRIORITY IS HIGH ARL PRODUCTS

BACK-UP

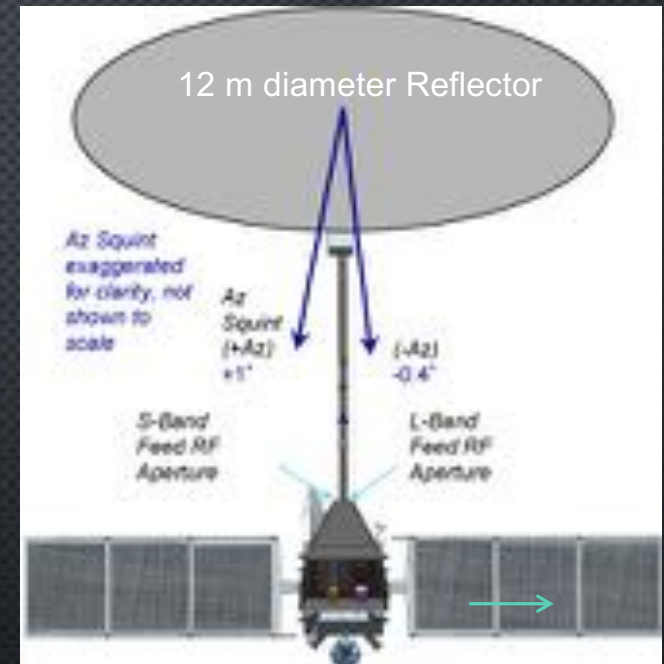
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NISAR IMAGING AND ORBIT GEOMETRY

- WIDE SWATH IN ALL MODES FOR GLOBAL COVERAGE AT 12 DAY REPEAT (2-5 PASSES OVER A SITE DEPENDING UPON LATITUDE)
- DATA ACQUIRED ASCENDING AND DESCENDING
- LEFT/RIGHT POINTING CAPABILITY (RIGHT NOMINAL)

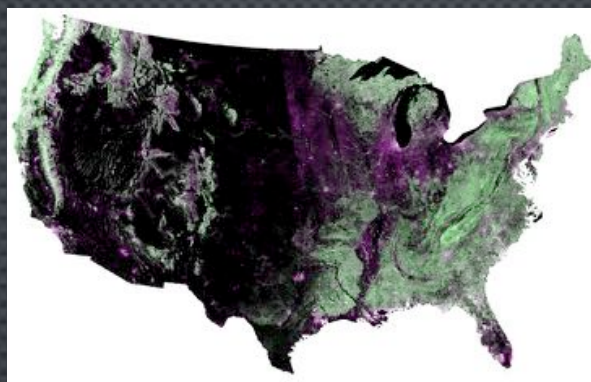


Observation Geometry



6 AM / 6 PM Orbit
98.5° inclination
Arctic Polar Hole: 87.5°R/77.5°L
Antarctic Polar Hole:
77.5°R/87.5°L

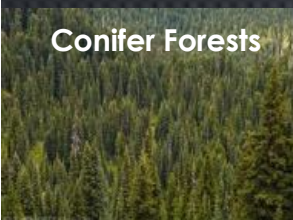
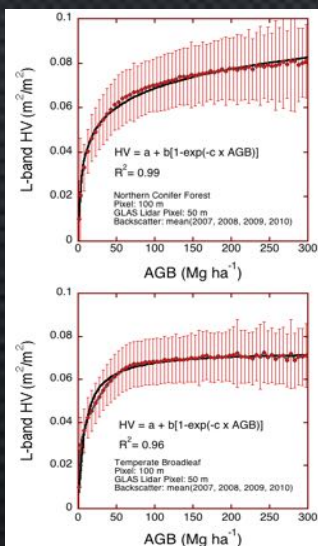
MAPPING GLOBAL FOREST BIOMASS



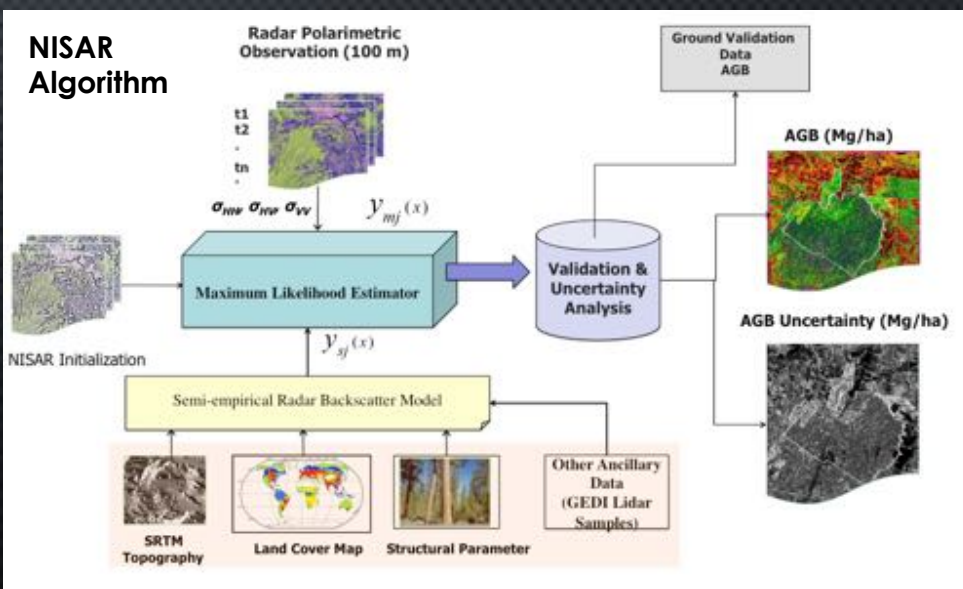
L-band HH and HV (ALOS PALSAR)



Biomass Derived from L-band SAR & National Inventory



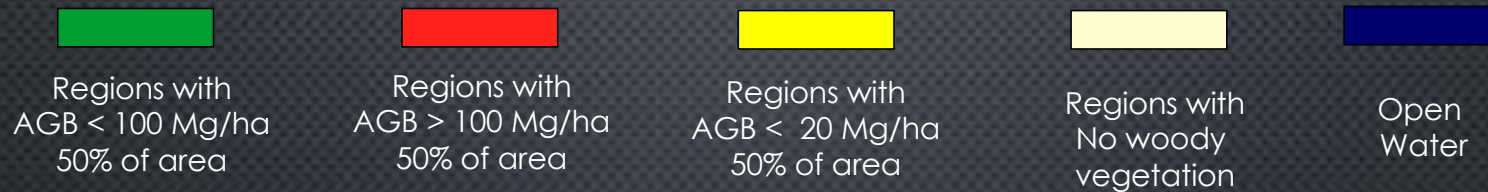
NISAR 12-day global forest observation allows estimation of forest biomass at 1-ha with the low uncertainty for biomass < 100 Mg/ha



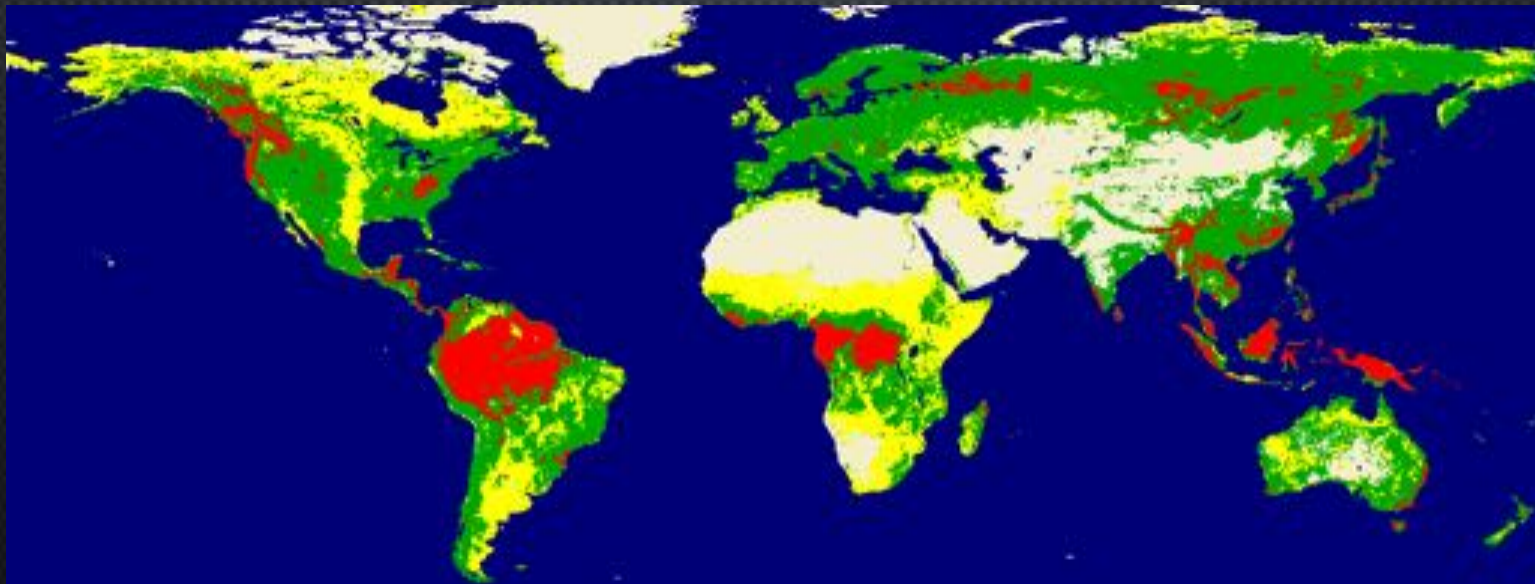
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NISAR Observation of Global Vegetation Biomass

Geographical Regions of NISAR Forest Biomass Estimation



The global distribution of regions dominated by with woody biomass < 100 Mg/ha



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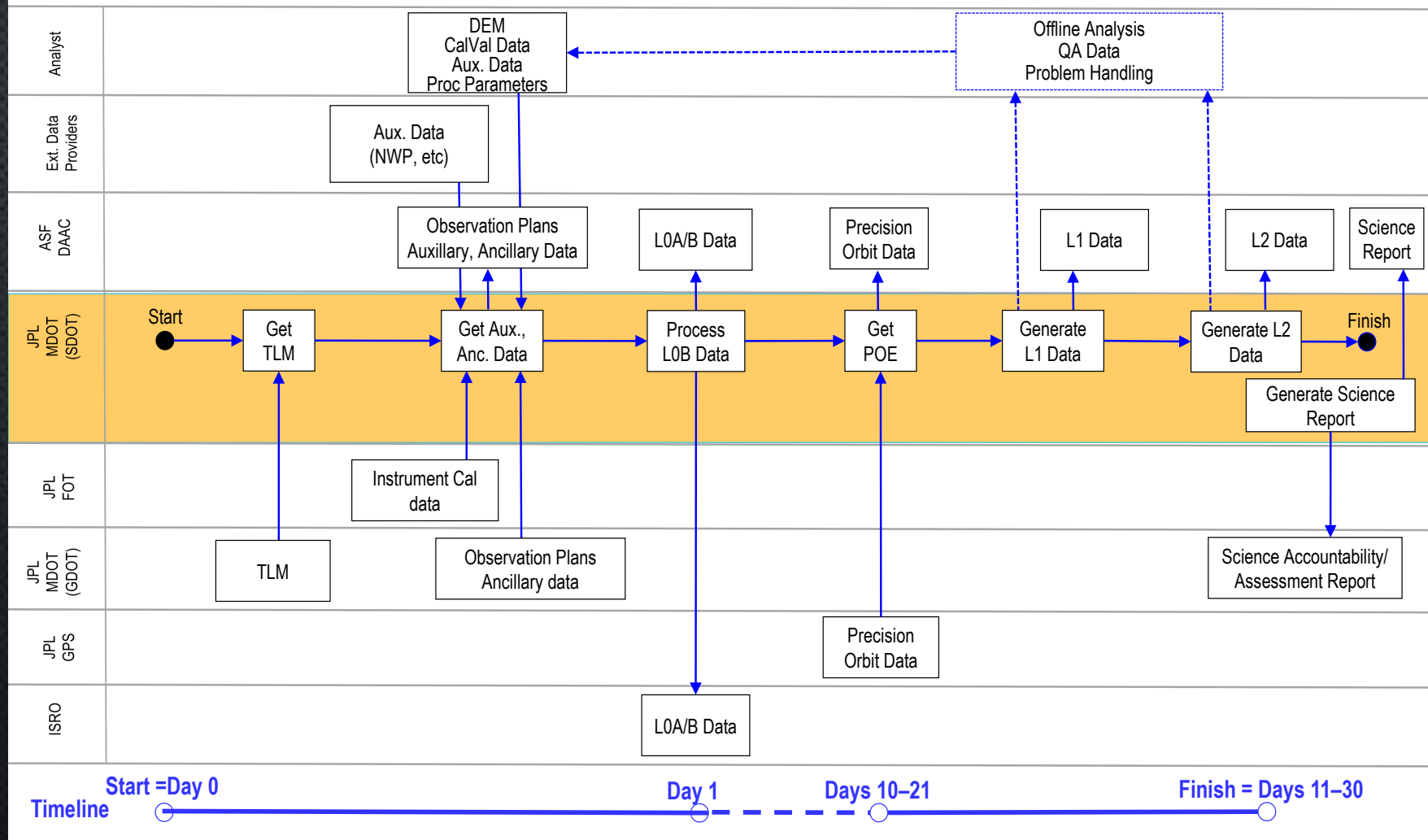
LATENCY

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| Product | To DAAC |
|--|--------------|
| L0 | |
| L0A (catalog incoming raw data) | 3.25 |
| L0B Radar Signal Data | 3.25 |
| L1 | |
| Range-Doppler (i.e., Radar-Coordinate) Single-Look Complex (SLC) | 30.33 |
| Multi-Look Detected Browse (MLD) | 0.54 |
| L2 (all modes) | |
| Geocoded Single-Look Complex | 30.33 |
| Interferogram (nearest-time pair) | 8.67 |
| Amplitude Image (most recent image in InSAR pair) | 4.33 |
| Unwrapped Interferogram | 4.33 |
| Geocoded Amplitude Image (most recent image in InSAR pair) | 4.33 |
| Geocoded Unwrapped Interferogram | 4.33 |
| L2 Ecosystem (Quad) | |
| Polarimetric Image Channels | 0.43 |
| Polarimetric Coherence | 0.43 |
| Geocoded Polarimetric Image Channels | 0.43 |
| Geocoded Polarimetric Coherence | 0.43 |
| Total (TB) | 95.44 |

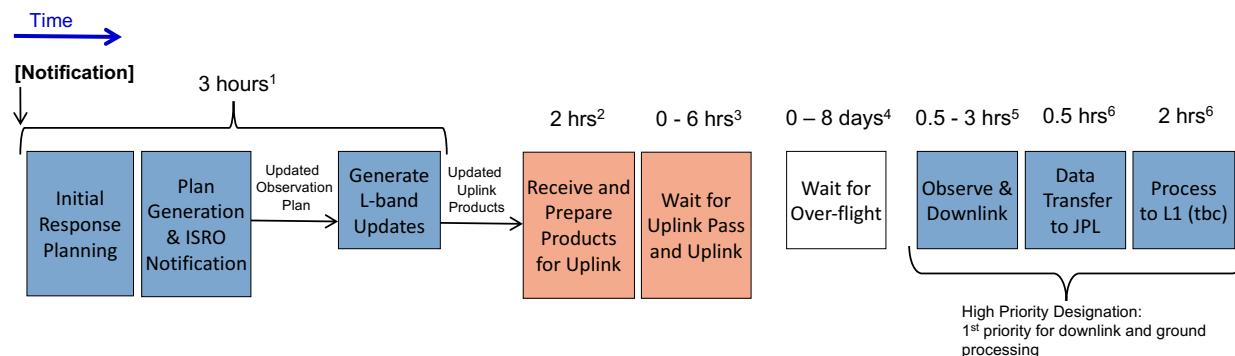
| Summary * | | |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Prod Level | # of Prod Types | Volume (TB/day) |
| Level 0 | 2 | 6.5 |
| Level 1 | 2 | 30.9 |
| Level 2 | 10 | 58.1 |
| Total | 14 | 95.4 |

Standard Data Product Generation



Notional* Urgent Observations

*Urgent Response Plan is currently under development

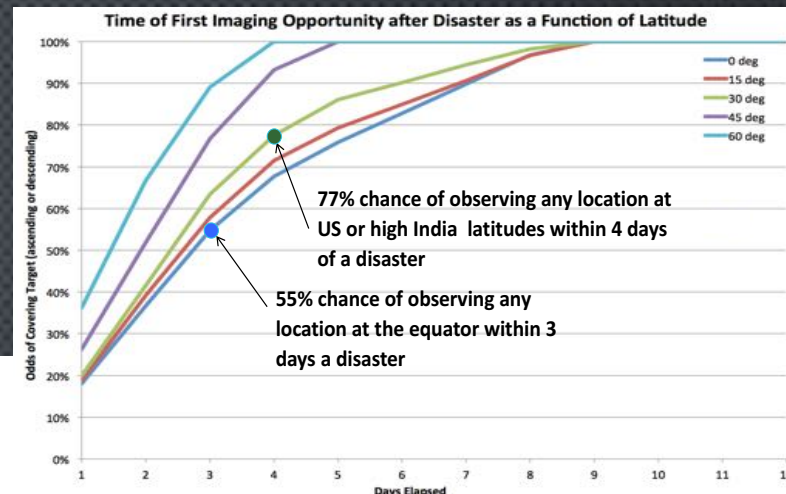
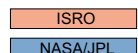


| Period | Requirement | Estimate |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| Time from Request to Scheduled Observation(s) | 24 (TBR) hours | 5 – 11 hours |
| Time from Observation to Product Delivery | 9 (TBR) hours | 3 to 5.5 hours |
| Wait for overflight | | 0 – 8 days |

Notes

- Only changes in observation priorities from “normal” to “urgent” are required. Only L-SAR changes are required.
- Assumes 2 hour ISTRAC processing time.
- Assume only one pass required for uplink.
- Based on Monte-Carlo analysis showing >97% probability of over-flight at an arbitrary latitude within 8 days
- Assumes an DTE coverage gap no longer than 3 hours
- Assumes urgent response data is no more than 10% of daily volume

Responsibility Key:



Issues and Challenges of Near Real-Time Data Acquisition and Management

For missions:

- Mode requirements
- Mission operations
- Downlink costs
- Developing an urgent response play book to mark “urgent response” protocols
- Trade studies for understanding costs of meeting low latency
- Network costs

For applications communities:

- There is needed infrastructure for higher level processing for information products (that aren't usually in L1 & L2 requirements)
- Such infrastructure requires investment for development
- Longer time-series of information products that utilize the international synthetic aperture radar (SAR) constellation can help justify the investment for such development
- High priority NRT data products for SAR:
 - change detection
 - soil moisture
 - sea ice